

# HOKEY FLUNG TO HIS DEATH AT LOS ANGELES

Machine Collapses While Fearless Bird Man Was Descending.

Los Angeles, Jan. 2.—The winds, whose touchstones Arch Hoxey so often defied and conquered, killed the noted aviator late Saturday. As if jealous of his intrepidity, they seized him and his fragile flying machine, flung them down out of the sky and crushed not his life.

He fell dead upon the field from which he had risen but a short time before, with laughing promises to thousands of cheering spectators to pierce the zenith of the heavens, surpass his own phenomenal altitude records and soar higher than any other man dared go.

Cross currents, whirled off by a violent storm that flooded in from the sea, caught his machine and shot him downward 363 feet to earth. Catching his frail machine in one of the spectacular spiral glides that are dangerous even in the calmest weather, the swirling winds swept with it a moment, jiggled it, then as it suddenly madened and frenzied, hurled it to the ground.

When the field attendants reached the spot where the tangled pile of wreckage lay, Hoxey was dead. One side of the face, whose engaging during the meet, had been crushed into thousands of spectators each day, tempt is contingent upon the kind an unrecognizable mass.

His body lay broken and twisted almost out of all semblance to a human form. All of the spectators in the grandstand witnessed the tragedy, as it occurred directly facing them, on the far side of the course. They sat in awe-stricken silence for almost innumerable minutes, until the announcer gave the news through the megaphone: "Hoxey has been killed."

Then from every part of the grand stand came the sobbing of women, who but a short time before had slapped their gloved hands to the despairing aviator as he arose from the field for his fatal flight.

Returning the compliments show-

ered upon him by his feminine admirers, Hoxey in gallant manner had promised to soar higher than he or any other man had ever flown before. "Of course, the stress of this air around the levers. The fall telescoped of weather I got up there," said Hoxey, just before he left the ground. "Some of the temperatures one encounters in the higher altitudes are simply beyond human endurance. But if I can find it and my motor works as well as it has been working I'll come down with a record of 12,000 feet or more."

Even at the moment the wind had attained a velocity that kept more cautious aviators on the ground. After he had ascended, it gained rapidly in violence. Moreover, it created a "Swiss cheese" atmosphere, the most treacherous meteorological condition that man birds have to contend with.

There is nothing by which it may be known why Hoxey did not go higher than the 7,142 feet which his barograph showed he had attained, but he apparently encountered at that altitude the same conflicting air currents that finally overcame him. Notwithstanding this, and with the same reckless daring he displayed daily during the last week, he descended by a series of spiral glides and was performing one of his thrilling rolling dips when his machine suddenly collapsed in midair and shot to earth.

Over and over the aeroplane turned as it fell, with a speed so swift that of all the thousands who saw the tragedy, not one could tell what effort the aviator made to save his life. When the wreckage had been cleaned sufficiently so that his body could be reached, he was found planted firmly in his seat, his arms around the levers. The fall elapsed the machine.

The steel sprockets which drove the propellers lay across Hoxey's face, the motor resting upon the right side of his body. Everyone of the ribs on that side was shattered into fragments. An iron upright, broken by the force of the crash, held the aviator's body impaled upon its jagged point.

# MORE RECRUITS AT REFORM SCHOOL

Four More Young Hopfuls Arrive at Springer Retreat; Thirty Inmates Now in Institution.

Springer, N. M., Jan. 1.—Four more inmates were received this week at the New Mexico Reform school in this city.

Monday Sheriff Romero of San Miguel county brought up Doroteo Jaramillo, age 17, to serve a sentence of three years for stealing and killing stock.

Sheriff Romero also brought up from Lamy two Chavez county prisoners. They are:

Howard Howell, age 17, convicted of arson and sentenced for a term of not less than two or more than three years.

Roscoe Springs, age 17, convicted of burglary and sentenced to a term of from one year to fifteen months.

Sheriff Smith of Torrance county, delivered to Superintendent Kirkpatrick Tuesday, Isidro Maldonado, age 17. Maldonado was convicted on three charges, two for assault with intent to commit rape, one for assault with a deadly weapon and received a sentence of not less than two or more than three years.

The number in the institution is thirty at present, more than at any one time since it was opened October 1, 1909. There was one escape in April, four were transferred to the penitentiary in October, two were released in October, one in April, one in September and one in November, having served their terms. The New Mexico Reform school is now running along as nicely and with as perfect regularity as any penal institution in the United States, and Springer and New Mexico should be proud of it. The management were very much handicapped in many respects during the past few months as to discipline and safety of the inmates, but during the past few months a great many of the obstacles have been overcome. There was considerable censure at times when there would be attempted outbreaks when

in reality no one was to blame, and the public more generally realize that now.

Professor Bonnie of the public schools of this city, has made a collection of literature among them ten volumes of bound Current Literature by Mrs. A. L. Harmon, which have been presented to the institution. This makes 125 bound volumes in the school library.



E. W. Gerbracht superintendent of the Harvener & Elder refinery of the Sugar Trust, who now declares that he is paying the salaries of the Trust employees who were convicted of conspiracy to defraud the Government by short weights and who are serving prison terms. In recent testimony before the Federal Court in the Government's case against several men "higher up" in the Sugar Trust, Mr. Gerbracht testified that although he was drawing \$25,000 a year salary he was only the nominal superintendent of the plant and had no knowledge of any arrangement for underweighing imported sugar.

# INSURGENTS CLAIM ABILITY TO RAISE ARMY TO DEFEAT DIAZ FORCES

With Ample Financial and Military Resources, Madero's Brother Declares Success of Revolution Is Assured.

Washington, Jan. 3.—"The insurgents have not lost a single fight to date and are slowly but surely eliminating the Diaz power from Chihuahua," said Gustavo A. Madero, a brother of the leader of the Mexican revolution, in a signed statement today.

He characterized the fighting in Yucatan and Tabasco as grave and said that with the financial backing the resources of the insurgents an army soon would be assembled at a strategic point, "which no force that General Diaz could mobilize would be able to defeat."

With reference to the provisional arrest here twenty-seven days ago, of Juan Sanchez Azcona, a journalist and former member of the Mexican congress, Senator Madero said that Azcona had decided to remain in confinement until the end of the forty days period during which he may be detained under the extradition treaty pending advice from the Diaz government as to the exact charges against him. His purpose was to test "the sincerity of the Mexican government."

Senator Madero charged that the attitude of the Diaz government in not sending further evidence in the Azcona case after ordering his provisional arrest was merely a "repetition of the Diaz government's tactics for the last three years in which Diaz has by means of telegraphic requests caused many an innocent man to be arrested and held in jail."

"There is no desire to seek recognition from the United States in the present insurrection," said Senator Madero. "I can only here to familiarize myself with the field because very shortly we expect to be in full and complete possession of some of the frontier custom houses which probably will necessitate certain business relations between our customs authorities and those of the United States."

"We are prepared to fight on indefinitely until the Diaz administration is driven from power. We are not lacking in money, trained officers or friends in Mexico City or other parts of the republic."

# EIGHTEEN BANDITS AND THREE SOLDIERS SLAIN

Mexico City, Jan. 3.—Eighteen bandits and three soldiers were killed in a fight at San Felipe, state of Tabasco, Sunday according to official dispatches that reached Mexico City late tonight. The telegram was sent by messenger to a telegraph office fifty miles from the scene of the fight. The report said ten soldiers and many bandits were wounded.

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# GOVERNMENT TROOPS RECAPTURE BATOPILAS

Mexico City, Jan. 3.—Delayed telegrams reached Mexico City tonight telling of the capture by the federal soldiers under Colonel Raynolds Diaz of the mining town of Batopilas, state of Chihuahua, on Sunday. The town is an important mining center and had been in the hands of the revolutionists for several weeks.

The significance of the taking of the town, according to official statements is that the federal soldiers from Sonora have entered Chihuahua and are taking a hand in putting down the rebellion. Colonel Diaz' men are now in a position on the northwestern part of the territory occupied by revolutionists while General Navarro is to the southeast.

Officials here said the rebels are now in full flight and they claim to believe that there will not be any further serious engagements, trouble for the authorities in Tabasco.



Adelle Ritchie, the well known actress, who recently filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, giving her liabilities as \$15,249.65 unsecured and assets of clothing valued at \$250. The principal creditors are tailors, and one photographic studio claims \$519 for photographs. The actress stated that she paid a law firm \$300 for preparing the bankruptcy petition.

# THIRTY KANSAS BANKS ROBBED

Several Hundred Thousand Dollars Secured by Skilled Highwayman.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 4.—Bank Commissioner J. N. Dolley reports that during the last three months thirty banks have been robbed in Kansas, one every third day, and safe crackers have secured \$100,000. Not once have the robbers been captured. Commissioner Dolley says that there are two organized gangs, one on the northern and one on the southern border of the state and their system of protection is so perfect as to place bank robbing among the less hazardous occupations. The headquarters are in Nebraska and Oklahoma but operations are confined to Kansas.

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